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In response to the Office action of October 15, 2004, please consider the following:

- Claim Amendments, which begin of page 2 of this paper; and
- Remarks, which begin on page 9 of this paper.

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